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Announcements of Candidatse.

For Congress.

We are authorized to announce **HON. JAMES F. MILLER**, of Gonzales County, as candidate for Congress from the Eighth District, subject to the Democratic Congressional Convention.

State Senator.

GEO. PFEUFFER, of New Braunfels is a candidate for State Senator of the 25th Senatorial District, subject to the action of the Democratic Convention of said District.

District Prosecuting Attorney.

We are authorized to announce **J. M. BETHANY**, of Austin County, as a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney of the 15th Judicial District.

For Treasurer.

TO THE VOTERS OF HAYS COUNTY: We are authorized to announce **JOHN H. PATTERSON**, as a candidate for re-election to the office of Treasurer of Hays County.

We are authorized to announce **ROBERT MALONE**, as a candidate for Treasurer of Hays County.

For Assessor.

We are authorized to announce **R. S. FORTSON**, as a candidate for re-election to the office of Assessor of Hays County.

We are authorized to announce the name **A. F. BRIDGES**, of Wimberly, as a candidate for the office of Assessor of Hays Co.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

Yellow fever is raging at Brownsville, etc.

Senator Benjamin Harvey Hill died at his residence at Atlanta on the 16th.

Major Chas H. Stewart received the nomination for Congressman from the Houston district.

Sam S. Smith, clerk of Bexar county, died on the 17th. He had held the office over 30 years. He was a New Englander by birth.

Judge Ireland has decided to open the campaign at Houston on the 2d of September. He will visit East Texas first.

"Adirondack" Murray denies the story that he is living a sinful, poverty-stricken life in Texas. He claims to be making money out of a big sheep ranch.

Hon. G. W. Jones has returned home, and is already on the war-path, having opened the canvass by a speech at Galveston, in which he handled the democratic party without gloves. He proposes to divide the time with Ireland, if he will consent.

Miller for Congress.

After one hundred and thirty-three ballots, the names of Thompson and Moore were withdrawn at the Luling convention, and James F. Miller nominated by acclamation. He was clearly the choice of the majority of the people, and should have received the nomination at the beginning. He is a good man, and will make an able and faithful representative.

Ben Thompson Case.

Mr. Carr, a lawyer and intelligent gentleman from San Antonio, whom we met at Mr. Pegues, in reply to some inquiries stated, that there was no special feeling there towards Thompson, save that he should have exact justice done him. At first he said they rather felt like applauding his deed, but on a little consideration, concluded he had not gone at it just in the right way, and proposed to hold him to a strict responsibility for his crime. Mr. C. is of the opinion that Thompson will not be allowed bail, probably not a change of venue, and that he stands an excellent chance of conviction of murder in the first degree, and of suffering the consequences.

Mr. Ireland, the democratic nominee for governor of Texas, is another self-made man. He commenced life as a stage driver in Kentucky, without education, and by close application and perseverance he has risen to his present high station. He has been the associate and life-long friend of our townsman, Judge Elliott.—Bentonville, Ark., Advance.

The grave-yard at Denton has no enclosure, and cattle roam over the resting place of the dead at will. This is a poor recommendation to the town, and shows the want of a proper appreciation of the loved ones who have gone before.—Exchange.

A neat well-kept cemetery is a certain index of a moral and thrifty people, and is sure to attract favorable attention from strangers. No man would like to settle among people who have no more respect for the home of the dead than to permit it to grow up in weeds, and to be trampled upon by cattle and horses.—Another exchange.

The above would seem to hit pretty hard somewhere not a thousand miles from this place. Let it be borne in mind that the permanency of the Old Graveyard here is now settled, and nothing in the way of its improvement. We hear that at Bastrop there is a Ladies' Cemetery Association who have put the cemetery in nice condition. We suggest the formation of a similar association at this place.

Austin Notes.

Having business on Friday with Underhill & Co., Marble dealers at the capital, Mr. U. kindly conveyed us in his spring wagon to the City Cemetery, some distance out of the city. It is an extensive tract of land in a black jack and post oak region, the soil being sandy—too much so in fact to be favorable to the growth of shrubbery, etc. It will not compare in natural beauty with our new San Marcos Cemetery, but is handsomely laid off and kept in much better style. Two men are employed all the time in keeping the grounds in order, at the expense of the city, but double that number are needed.

Some of the monuments in the cemetery are very fine and imposing, and would do credit to those of older and larger places. Chief of these is one of Gen. Jones, late adjutant general of the State. It is a massive sculptured column, surmounted by a life size figure of the "Angel of Peace," a very beautiful work of art. The whole we should think is some thirty feet high, and cost upwards of \$2,000. In a corner of the lot, some distance removed, the remains of the deceased lie in a marble sarcophagus of beautiful and ingenious construction, so framed that when it rains it cleans itself from dust. Underhill & Co., are making a specialty of these marble graves, so to speak, with which a monument is often combined, and they are coming into frequent use among people of considerable means.

Almost equal to that of Gen. Jones is the monument erected to the late George Hancock, also the work of Underhill & Co. There are also very many other fine samples of their work, but less pretentious and expensive, which we have not space to particularize.

We noticed a customary style in this cemetery to enclose the graves and often the entire lots with a dressed stone border. The Hancock lot is bordered thus with marble. Underhill & Co., also do this class of work in the best style. In short they can suit all tastes, from the finest monument to the humblest headstone, and supply all that is latest and best in their line. Mr. Underhill, who has personal charge, has been in the business in Ohio, Indiana, etc., all his life before coming to Texas some three years since. Mr. Jernigan, treasurer of Travis Co., is the other member of the firm, and they are laying wide and deep the foundations of a successful business, and we commend them to all who may wish anything in their line. Works near the Capitol.

The State Cemetery is a distinct affair, and lies some distance beyond that of the city. We had not time to visit it on this occasion.

Leaving mortuary topics, we heard an Austin gentleman make what will no doubt be a well founded suggestion as to San Marcos. He said it was about the right distance for residence for large business men doing business at Austin, and that they would no doubt, many of them in the future make their residences with us. The same remark will apply with almost equal force to San Antonio. Certain it is that neither city can boast the natural attractions as a place of residence of San Marcos.

We called at the Music Store of Hazzard, Raymond & Co., and found the genial Mr. H. at his post. Their business is steadily increasing, and they are worthy the confidence of all who may desire to purchase a piano or organ or anything else in their line. We found Austin dry and dusty and very oppressively hot as compared with San Marcos.

Financial Statement Hays County.

General Fund—	
am't on hand at last statement	\$2,952 61
" rec'd from collec'r and other sources since.....	600 42
whole amt.....	3,553 03
am't disbursed to Aug 14, 1882....	836 71
now on hand in Treasury.....	2,716 32
Repair Fund—	
am't on hand at last statement....	652 39
" rec'd of collector.....	200 00
whole am't.....	852 39
am't disbursed to Aug 14, 1882....	210 43
now on hand in Co., Treasury....	641 96
Lunatic and Pauper Fund—	
am't on hand at last statement....	\$1,330 39
" rec'd of collector.....	300 00
whole am't.....	1,630 39
am't disbursed to Aug 14, 1882....	88 66
am't now on hand in Co., Treas.	1,541 73
Estray Fund—	
am't on hand at last statement.....	266 50
" rec'd of sale of estrays since.....	142 05
whole amount.....	408 55
am't turned over to the gen'l fund....	72 00
am't now on hand in Co., Treasury	336 55
Court House Fund—	
am't on hand last statem't....	\$19,750 00
am't expended on Court house to Aug 14, 1882.....	14,127 00
now on hand in Treas. 15, '82	5,323 00
August 15, 1882. Ed. J. L. GREEN,	
Clerk C. C. Hays Co.	

The political campaign has barely opened in Wisconsin, but already one journal has become so warmed up as to accuse another of being a "slandrous falsifier."

Hall of Hays, Lodge K. of H.

SAN MARCOS, Aug. 15, 1882.

At a regular meeting of the lodge of Knights of Honor of this place on the evening of the 11th inst., the following preamble and resolutions were introduced by T. J. Peel, complimentary of Rev. W. L. Kennedy in view of his expected departure at an early day for Mississippi, where he contemplates making his future home.

Whereas, we are about to lose the personal fellowship in our lodge of our highly esteemed and worthy brother, W. L. Kennedy, in consequence of his removal to a distant field of labor, and,

Whereas, during his sojourn among us, he has proven himself to be a good and useful citizen, a faithful minister and a true Knight of Honor, therefore be it

Resolved 1st, That in the removal from our midst of Bro. Kennedy, this lodge loses one of its most active and zealous members and an efficient officer, and

2nd, That we tender Bro. Kennedy and his family our best wishes for their future welfare and happiness, and

3d, That we most heartily commend Bro. Kennedy to the confidence and fellowship of all true Knights of Honor among whom his lot may in future fall.

On motion of J. V. Hutchins the preamble and resolutions were adopted by a unanimous vote of the lodge.

C. L. McCAY,

Ed. R. KONE,

Reporter.

Dictator.

Mr. M. A. Whitney, Toledo, Ohio, writes: "After trying all advertised medicines for nervous weakness and early decay, I gave up in despair, and resigned myself to the seemingly inevitable—a premature grave. Happening to hear a druggist recommend Brown's Iron Bitters for dizziness I bought myself a bottle. I am most agreeably surprised to find myself restored to perfect health, strength, and manhood. I feel sure the cure is permanent, yet in future I intend to observe more carefully the laws of health."

Republican County Convention.

The Republicans of Hays county met at Court House in San Marcos on the 28th day of August, 1882 pursuant to call.

Major W. O. Hutchison, called the meeting to order, and stated the object to appoint delegates to attend the convention at Austin on the 23d inst.

On motion Albert Heaton, was elected Chairman, and Jo Cephas Secretary.

On motion W. O. Hutchison, Jo Cephas, Levi Irvin, H. Perkins, Thos. Cheatham, of Precinct No 1; L. P. White of Precinct No. 2; John Richardson of Precinct No. 3, and Wm. Adams, Stephen Alexander, and Harold C. Durar of Precinct No. 4, were selected to act as delegates to the State Convention.

On motion voted that Col. John W. Herndon be appointed Chairman of Republican Executive Committee for Hays county.

The following were added to the Executive Committee by the Chairman:

Levi Irvin, Precinct No. 1
L. P. White Precinct No. 2.
Jno. Richardson, Precinct No. 3.
Wm. Adams, Precinct " 4.


On motion, voted that the proceedings of this meeting be published in the FREE PRESS and Austin Citizen. Jo CEPHAS, Sec.
ALBERT HEATON, Ch'n.



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